THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE R.SUBHASH REDDY

WRIT PETITION No.15765 OF 2003

21.03.2007

T. Naveena

….Petitioner

Vs.

1. Government of Andhra Pradesh, Education
   (E.C) Department, Secretariat, Hyderabad
   rep., by its Principal Secretary and others.

….Respondents

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ORDER:

The petitioner, who is a Diploma Holder in Civil Engineering, filed this writ petition when she was not permitted to be admitted into second year Engineering Course (Civil) for the academic year 2003-2004 in Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupathi, Chittoor District.

It is stated in the notification that a common entrance test would be conducted for diploma holders ((ECET (FDH))-2003 and for lateral entry into B.E/B. Tech/B. Arch/B. Pharma Courses. It is the case of the petitioner that as per the notification issued by the convener, 5% of the seats were earmarked in all the Engineering Colleges and 10% seats were earmarked for admission into second year directly under lateral system. Though the petitioner has secured a rank of 15 in the Entrance examination, she was not given seat without any valid reason.

In the counter-affidavit filed on behalf of the respondents, it is stated that no notification was issued by the University providing reservation for diploma holders for admission into the second year Engineering Course directly by way of lateral entry system. While denying the issuance of any such notification, it is stated that such facility is available only in private colleges. Insofar as Engineering College of S.V. University is concerned, there is no such provision for lateral entry. Further, it is stated that the petitioner was admitted into first year Engineering Course in the University College.

The petitioner sought for admission into the second year by relying upon the notification issued by the Convenor. It is stated that though in the university Engineering College, such diploma holders

are also eligible for entry into Engineering Course, but, however, there is no such regulation for lateral entry into the second year straight away.

In the notification issued by the convenor, it is stated that 5% of the seats are reserved for ECET qualified candidates, but unless such facility is available as per the University regulations providing lateral entry into the second year course directly for the candidates, who are qualified in diploma course, the petitioner, as a matter of right, cannot seek admission into the second year straight away. In any event, this writ petition is filed in the year 2003 seeking admission for the academic year 2003-2004 and she has already joined in the first year.

In that view of the matter, no direction can be given at this point of time for providing admission into the second year.

The writ petition is devoid of merits and is dismissed. No order as to costs.

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Justice R. Subhash Reddy

Dated: 21.3.2007
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